



Broadband Funding Guide

National Science Foundation

1	Federal Agency/Bureau	National Science Foundation	
2	Agency Overview	The National Science Foundation (NSF) is an independent federal agency that supports fundamental research and education across all fields of science and engineering. In fiscal year (FY) 2018, its budget is \$7.8 billion. NSF funds reach all 50 states through grants to nearly 2,000 colleges, universities and other institutions. Each year, NSF receives more than 50,000 competitive proposals for funding and makes about 12,000 new funding awards.	
3	Program Name	Spectrum and Wireless Innovation enabled by Future Technologies (SWIFT).	
4	Program Website	https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505774	
5	Program Overview	This program focuses on effective wireless spectrum utilization and/or coexistence techniques, especially with passive uses, which have received less attention from researchers. Coexistence is when two or more applications use the same frequency band at the same time and/or at the same location, yet do not adversely affect one another.	
6	Program Purpose	 ☑ Planning (e.g., feasibility) ☐ Broadband Infrastructure (e.g., construction) ☐ Broadband Adoption ☐ Digital Skills Training ☐ Public Computer Access 	 □ Smart Cities □ Evaluation ⋈ Research □ Broadband Financing □ Other:
7	Eligible Recipients	 □ Libraries □ K-12 Schools ⋈ Higher Education Institutions □ Hospitals □ Public Safety Entities □ State and Local Governments □ Tribal Entities 	 □ Commercial/Internet Service Providers □ Non-Profit Organizations □ Small Businesses □ Rural Recipients □ Electric Utilities/Co-ops □ Financial Institutions □ Other:
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9	FY2020 Funding Type and Amount	\$12,000,000	
10	Additional Information	https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20537/nsf20537.htm?org=NSF	

